



ROKEBY RECORDER

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YEAR 9 TALK 2 LEARN

Our first Talk 2 Learn debate of the year took place last week and was a huge success.

The motion put forward was: Artificial intelligence is a threat to human existence! On the proposition side were students from 9ROK, while in opposition were representatives from 9EBY. It was a lively discussion with some excellent arguments used on both sides. In the end however it was the ROK team in proposition who won the debate.

Talk 2 Learn debates are firm fixtures in Rokeby's annual calendar of events. Debates take place once a term involving a different year group from Key Stage 3 each time. It is a cross-curricular activity and this term's debate involved students studying, researching and preparing discussion topics in their Computer Science, Technology and Maths lessons. Their learning culminated in a de-

bate involving eight students from the year group who presented their arguments for or against the topic in question. The rest of the year group watched the debate remotely from their science classrooms and then voted at the end of the session for the side they supported.

Really well done to **Khalid, Md Tamzid, Tomasz, Umair, Parth, Jihad** and **Syed** for their excellent research and preparation. They were all very articulate, persuasive and diplomatic when putting their arguments forward.

Thanks to our judges - PGCE student teachers Greeshma, Sagopal and Awab.

We look forward to our next debate, involving Year 8 students, in February 2022!



Respect, Success, Passion for Learning, Personal Challenge, Harmony



PHILOSOPHY 4 CHILDREN

This week's **Philosophy 4 Children (P4C)** session focussed on healthy relationships and consent. There was some excellent engagement and discussion across the school.

Ms Bonnell was particularly impressed with her tutor group, 10O. The class discussed the issue of consent in terms of both friendships and romantic relationships. The class voted to discuss the question 'is rape seen as equally serious for both men and women?'. This prompted some amazing responses from the group: they discussed the Me

Too movement; how male victims are often ridiculed or shamed when they come forward and whether people in powerful positions commit more acts of harassment/sexual assault or whether we just hear about these cases more often.

Some stand out stars of the tutor group were **Kwame, Emmanuel, Jayde, Harris, Moontasir, Khaalid** and **Ishaaq**. Well done boys for helping to create a very mature and productive discussion. Not only did you actively contribute, you also reflected on other students' views.

ROKEBY ALUMNI

Do you have a son, brother, cousin or friend who used to attend Rokeby? If so we would love to hear from them and find out what they are up to now. We would like to create a Rokeby Alumni page on our website to showcase ex-students' success stories. Please spread the word! Interested alumni can get in touch by completing the form below.

[Rokeby Alumni Form](#)

MOCK EXMAS

Year 11 mock exams start on Monday, 29th November. The timetable has been shared with students via Google Classroom. It is also available on our website. Click [here](#) for a copy of the timetable.

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Break the bad habits and make better ones.

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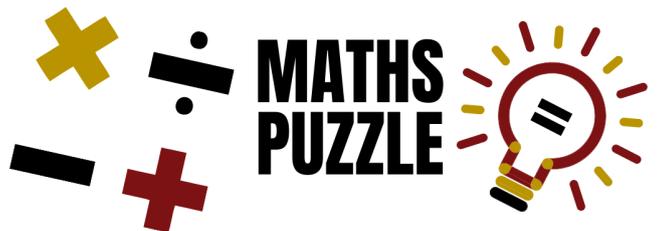
WORD OF THE WEEK

Contemptuously

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Can you crack Mr Fox's Maths puzzle this week? Click [here](#) for the puzzle. Take your answers to Mr Fox on Monday morning for an achievement point and prize!